

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO. 7990 OF 2006

Pravin Gopal Bawlekar

....Petitioner.

V/s

State of Maharashtra and Ors.
Respondents.

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Mr. R.K. Mendadkar for the Petitioner.

Mr. R.D. Rane, Government Pleader, for Respondents - State.

CORAM: **H.S. BEDI, C.J., &**
V.M.KANADE, J.

DATE : **DECEMBER 5, 2006**

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1. Rule. By consent, rule is made returnable forthwith.
Heard parties.

2. The only grievance of the petitioner is that his caste claim is pending verification with the respondent no. 2 committee and respondent no.3 has stated that they shall take coercive steps against the petitioner including termination of service of the petitioner.

3. In these peculiar facts and circumstances, the respondent no.2 committee is directed to dispose of the proceedings regarding caste verification of the petitioner as

expeditiously as possible and in any event, within three months from today. In the meanwhile, the respondents shall not take any coercive measure against the petitioner, including termination of his services on the ground of non submission of caste validity certificate. It is further directed that in case, the decision of the respondent no.2 committee is adverse to the petitioner, the same shall not be given effect to, for a period of three weeks from the date of communication of order to the petitioner.

4. With these directions, Writ Petition is disposed of with no order as to costs.

CHIEF JUSTICE

V.M. KANADE, J.